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Applicant: Lavorgna, et al. :  
Serial Number: 09/873,815 : Group Art Unit: 2161  
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FOR MANAGING BUSINESS :  
METRICS :

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS**

Attention: Box Missing Parts  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated August 20, 2001, enclosed is the fully executed Declaration and Power of Attorney of Egidio Lavorgna, Jr., Ramesh Thuravil and Richard Metz. Also enclosed is Part 2 of the Notice to File Missing Parts.

Also in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application, enclosed please find sixty-seven (67) sheets of formal drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84.



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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the surcharge of \$130 to Deposit  
Account Number 01-2384. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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## FORMALITIES LETTER



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Date Mailed: 08/20/2001

## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawings contain excessive text. Suitable descriptive legends may be used, or may be required by the Examiner where necessary for understanding of the drawing but should contain as few words as possible ( see 37 CFR 1.84(o)),

*A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.*

*Thomas A. O'Connell*  
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